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A five (5) month extension of time, to and including January 1, 2005, is requested for response to the Patent Office Communication of June 1, 2004. Since January 1, 2005 fell on a Saturday, this response is considered timely filed.

The extension fee of \$1.080.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) is enclosed herewith. If the amount is insufficient, the balance may be charged to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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